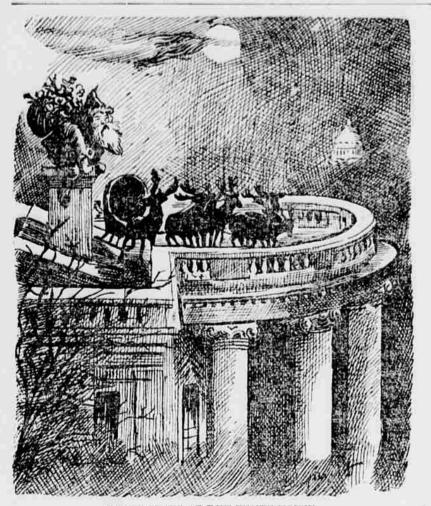
SANTA CLAUS AT

THE WHITE HOUSE. THE JOLLY OLD SAINT CHATS OF CHRISTMASIS WITH PRESIDENTS.

Baby McKee and His German Christma Greeting-Tad Lincoln and His Fight With the Cook-Little Nellie Arthur's Christmas Club.

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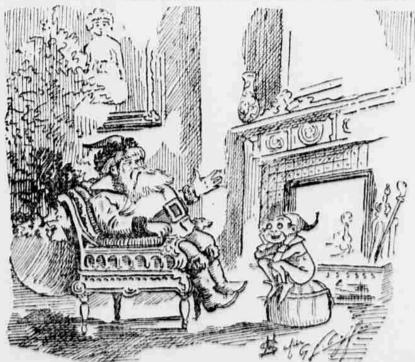
so at the big steckings which hang beside them, and which the children have borrowed for the time of their rapa and their mamma, for fear their own may not be large enough. He decorates the tree with dolls and loys. He strings upon its glass halls of every late, and with timest makes it shine like the sliver and golden busines of fairyland. There are presents by the hundreds for him to hang upon its branches. The babies of the White House hards and them Christmas gifts.

Santa Claus' Solitequy.

At last, however, the work is done and Santa Claus stops for rest. He is treel; the night is late, and the morning is almost come. He started upon his travels when the said man first began to throw his dust house visit completes his long nights work. He stakes back in the president's big armchair, looks at the tree and talks, flow his words came to me I dare not tell, it may have been that the toy photography which was intended for little Ruth, and which was intended for little Ruth, and which was placed upon the tree, recorded them. It has never worked since them, I has never worked since them, I has never worked since them. It has never worked since them, I has never worked since them. It has never worked since them, I have store from whence it came I can only say that every work work is true, and that the his sole fillers have the store from whence it came I can only say that every work work is true, and that the his stockings.

Christmas in Arthur's Time.

The suffed their was hot in the stockings of Neille Arthur, when hand down and dance about that tree! How hand on an indication have the history and the stockings of Neille Arthur, when her failure was the restricted the stockings of the restriction has the stockings of the restriction has the stockings of the restriction has the store that the stockings of the restriction has the store that the stockings of the restriction has the store that the stockings of the restriction has the stocking of the restriction has the store them, the suffer will have been sent tha



HE CHATS WITH THE BROWNIE.

Ruth will scream with joy and Esther clap her hands. How Papa Grover will grow young again and Mamma Frances sinde. I like the White House best when it is filed with children, and I hope the day of children, and I hope the day of children, and I hope the day of children will not be such a thing this year, leas presidents has passed away forever, leas presidents has passed away forever, leave presidents has passed away forever. How dreary these rooms were about eight years ago, and how they brightened when Mary and Henjamin McKey and the little Harrheons came in. We had four good Christmas days and four great trees, every beauch of which was loaded down with gifts.

Baby McKee's Great Christmas.

At this the Brownie jumped from out the tree and ast down on the stool at Santa's feet. He asked the old man questions and Santa Claits went on:

"The first great day for Grandpa Harri"The first great day for Grandpa Harri"The first great day for Grandpa Harri-

Santa Clails went on:

"The first great day for Grandpa Harrison—I mean Christmas day," white House Holidays With Grant and Hayes
there are no great days but Christmas—the fun began with a big tin horn, blown by Mrs. Dimmick. At this the White House family came together and Great Grandpa
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I and where life is one long Christmas day."

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Andrew Jackson's Christmas.

"There was another great general who was president. I mean that tail main there, Andrew Jackson," said the Brownie, as he instituted to a picture on the wall.

"Yes" replied Santa Chars. "I knew him. I pitted him, for he had no children, Stilk, he loved children, and when his adopted son had a haby born to him he was the happiost main in Waschington. He used to nurse the baby when it had the calle, and he sometimes wheeled it up and down the cast room for hours at a time. He had a lot of children with him here in the White House, and he was as much interested in Christmas as the babies were, lie would sit and smoke a clay tipe as he talked with them. He would tell them all shout me, and how I came down the chinalery. I have often watched him, and I have seen his wrinkled face grow soft and greatle as he looked into the fire and saw there, through the smoke, the hard, rough dutys of his own poor bothcod, when he itself of the first had saw that the said way in he wilds of North Carolina that Christmas passed unheeded and presents seldom came.

As Santa Chaus said this a ray of morning light jumped through the window at his back and caught the gold of the little provides har. It played a moment upon the mirror of the doll's bureau which Santa had him in sailey most jumped back and put its firry little flat in old Santa's eyes, As Santa Chaus reserved the blow he blinked. He sprang straight to bis feet and without a word rushed up the chimney and out onto the roof. The Erownie heard him grift just in time to hear the partie of the waking children overhead.

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